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## *Thinking Out Loud*

**By H. M. L.**

From the Solid South, from Arkansas, which is probably the most solidfied state in the South, comes the outraged cry of an editor. He accuses the New Deal, not the Democratic party, for he himself is probably a Democrat, of high crimes against the Constitution. There is nothing subtle in his attack. When he is not using the broad axe, he used a bludgeon. But this outcry is something to hear. It evokes st range mental repercussions. For instance it is possible that the Democratic party, will itself purge the party and the country of this squanderbund that has settled in Washington, apparently for the lifetime of FDR? It might be, it just might be, that the Solid South has enough power to put an end to an administration that masquerades as Democratic.

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We refer to an editorial, written presumably by Karr Shannon, editor of the Melbourne (Arkansas) Times in the issue of June 8th. We offer him our sympathy for he speaks with the feeling of a man whose dearest friend has turned on him, stabbed and turned the knife in the wound. Under the head of 'Just Nozzin' Around,' the editorial follows:

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"The Communist party has dissolved itself and come unto its own. Instead of putting out a presidential candidate this year the junked party will support the outstanding communist of the land —Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

"The nomination and re-election of Roosevelt is now assured. He has the Communist, CIO., American Federation of Labor, New Dealers and the padded federal payroll whoopin' it up for him. In addition to these organizations, there's the droves in every state who are wanting their bread buttered again.

"I am not a prophet, nor the son of a prophet. I miss fire on lots of things. But I made long-range predictions of FDR's election to a second term and then a third term. I have been predicting in this column for over a year that he would be elected to a fourth term. But that's no sign I'm smart. Anybody with one eye and half sense and a cedar chest could do that good with all the evidence at hand.

"So much for that.

"It's beginning to look like anybody can close a business up now, except the owner. The United States Supreme Court recently ruled that the Office of Price Administration has power to suspend a retailer if he violates OPA regulations in getting or selling any kind of goods. And, of course the regulations are made and changed at the pleasure of the OPA.

The OPA can close a business up. The War Labor Board can intiate steps to close one up. The president, apparently, the secretary of commerce and the attorney general can close a business up. And certainly a labor organization can, with a strike.

"The list might be extended to include Ickes and Hopkins, the Roosevelt Charlie McCarthys—and even Madam Perkins. Anyway the business owner is conspiciously not among those who have a part in the close-out. The courts are open for business, and the head court is Roosevelt's stuffed Supreme Court. So—what?

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"Let's turn to another picture.

"A great many people were astonished by the proposal of the secretary of interior to give the government's $20,000,000,000 worth of war industries to the returning soldiers. But that's nothing to be astonished about in campaign year. Besides there's a fly in the ointment. This would involve a gigantic government controlled holding company. Giving away industries "would be a revised edition of tht Homtsead Act and the land provisions of the Reclamation Law," said the secretary (,the

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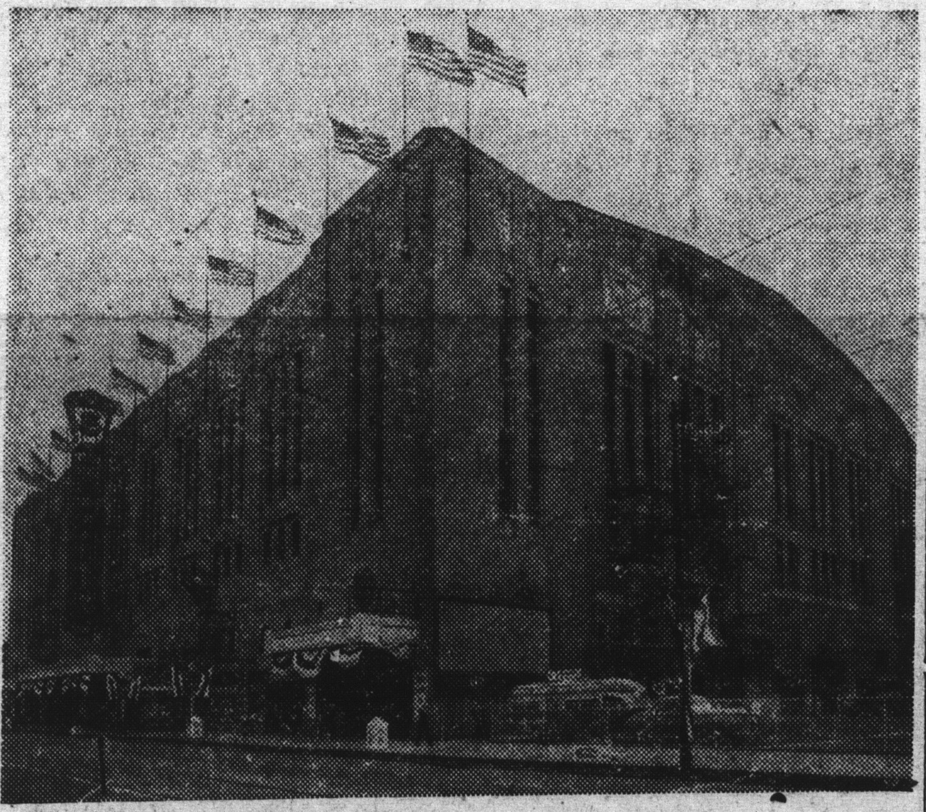
## Enters Convention as Favorite

Gov. Thomas A. Dewey of New York, who goes into the Republican National convention with more pledged delegates than any other candidate.

## Chicago Stadium—Convention Site



This is an outside view of the huge Chicago Stadium, site of this year's Republican National convention.

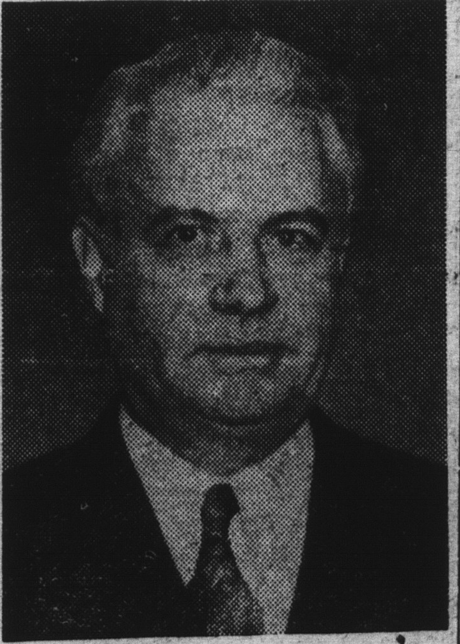
## NEW ICE CREAM PARLOR OPENS ON PINE STREET

A new place of business, The Bret Harte, serving ice cream, ice cold drinks and coffee and sandwiches will open Saturday morning, July 1, at 9 o'clock on Pine street between Commercial and Broad streets. The new management will accommodate the public at the fountain, or in tables and booths. Coffee and sandwiches will be served at all hours. The parlor will remain open until 10 o'clock evenings to serve the theatre crowds.

Miss Mary Kutenyak, who has lived here four years, is tht new manager. She will have as assistants, Misses Eva Pohley and Faye Williams of this city. The owners of the new firm are Nye Johnson, local business man, Robert Baker and Miss Mary Kutenyak. Mrs. Baker will be remembered as former Wilma Miejie of this city, and with her husband will move to this city to reside. The new place of business has been completely repainted and renovated giving a most pleasing effect. The cool room will be an added attraction on hot summer days.

### PRESENTS MIRROWS TO HOSPITAL

Responding to appeal from the De Witt Hospital at Auburn, the Ford Glass Company of Hills Flat, has presented the patients there with 200 hand mirrors. McLaren N. Ford, operator of the glass business, states that 100 more mirrors are in process of being cut, ground and finished for the hospital.



JOHN A. BRICKER
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*Presidential nominee in 1940 and while officially "withdrawn" as candidate this year has strong bargaining position among delegates.*

## WORK PARTY GETS CAMP PAHATSI READY

A second work party completed getting Camp Pahatsii, Tahoe National Area Council summer camp, near Soda Springs in readiness on Sunday, June 25th. Included in the party, headed by L. H. Deynolds, Camping and Activities Chairman were. Al and Stanley Bates from Nevada City, Dr. Lucas W. Empy and Sayre Huntting of Roseville, and Robert H. Frank, Scout Executives. A number of older Scouts were also in the party. The waterfront dock was partially reconstructed and covered by canvas, boats were painted, the water sytsem and pumps were completely checked over and other physical arrangements were placed in shipshape order. The Scout field is urged to send in their Camp applications for Pahatsi during the Tahoe Area Council period which will start on Sunday, August 13th and continue for a two week period, ending on August 27th. As previously announced, Scouts going to and from Camp will be able to use bus transportation, as approved by the Office of Defense Transportation. Rates for roundtrip from Roseville and Auburn will me $3 and $2 from Grass Valley and Nevada City. From present indications, a very fine staff consisting of veteran scouters and older scouts will form the senior and junior staff personnel but in the meantime, all scouts should plan to get their camp applications to the scout office, 924 Lincoln Way, Auburn.

### CHANGES IN SCOUT REQUIREMENTS

The following changes in scout requirements have been announced by the National Council, Boy Scouts of America:

Revision in second class requirements No. 10—Compass Knowledge. Since the point systef use of the compass has been discontinue,d the present requirtments was changed to read, "follow a course by compass, with three changes in direction using the degrte system, (magnetic azimuth direction) and explain the principle by which the compass works".

## HELEN CHAPMAN LEAVES FOR RED CROSS TRAINING

Miss Helen Chapman, who has been accepted for Red Cross work abroad, left yesterday for her preliminary training in Washington, D. C. Miss Chapman was reelected to her post, as teacher of history and physical education director for girls in the Nevada City High School, but obtained a year's leave of absence from the school board.

## GAS EXPLOSION RESULTS IN SUIT

Suit was filed Tuesday by Capt. Evan L. Owen against the Glenbrook Gas Company and others for damages allegedly arising from an explosion of butane gas in the plaintiff's home, 579 Butler Street, Grass Valley, on July 6th, 1943.

The complaint alleges that the defendant company negligently coupled a new flash of gas to the stove fixture that the gas leaked out into the cellar. An explosion resultd when the plaintiff entered it, that he was absent from his duties for days, incurred $400 for medical and hospital expenses. The plaintiff, in addition to that sum asks $10,000 general damages.

### METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11 a. m. Patriotic service. Special music. Vocal solo, Mrs. Russel Hoyle, Sermon "Freedom", pastor. All loyal Americans will desire to attend church somewhere. If you are not a member of any church and would like to worship with us, we shall be delighted to see you. All army men are given special invitation.

## 'THEY GOT ME COVERED' AT BIG BOND RALLY TONIGHT

There will be a big show at the Nevada Theatre this evening when a Fifth War Loan rally will open at 8 o'clock. There will be but one show tonight, according to William Tamblyn, theatre manager, but that will be a whale.

The special picture taken from the big time circuit is "They Got Me Covered", starring Bob Hope and Dorothy Lamour. The show is free to all those who show evidence of having purchased U. S. War Bonds since June 1st, and to those who buy war bonds at the cashier's window as they enter.

John Fortier will make the address, short and to the point. Lloyd Geist, will act as master of ceremonies, and Mrs. Carl Libbey will lead her talented juvenile singers in several vocal numbers. Mrs. Fred Anderson will play the accompaniments.

## FOURTH DISPLAY IN PLAZA STORE

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Scheemer of the Plaza Grocery Store in this city seem to be the first to start decorating their store windows for the July Fourth celebration to be held in this city in twelve more days. The display of pictures of local boys in the service of their country is a most pleasing thought, as it brings out the idea that the local citizens are remembering those who are away fighting. In looking over the group Wednesday forenoon it was found thert were twenty nine pictures in the window to the east and later a display was started in the other window. The owners of the store are asking that anyone bring their sons, brothers, husbands, or relatives pictures in for the display. The response so far has been most pleasing to Mr. and Mrs. Scheemer. The display is also put on to assist in the Fifth war loan drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Scheemer request that anyone wishing to display pictures of loved ones in the windows may do so. Late yesterday the other window was cleared and more pictures were placed on display.

## LARGE OUTPUT FOR MAY RED CROSS REPORTS

The Nevada City Red Cross chapter reports that in May surgical dressings completed totaled 17,560; individual workers 88; total workers 363; total hours 941.25 for the month of May; dressings on shelf 5,960; dressings completed and packed 22,200; Mrs. Beatrice Renfree is acting chairman;

Production: garments made 609; workers in workroom 64; workers at home 108; total hours given 2,669; Louise Polglase is chairman.

Garments shipped in May to men's hospital; pajamas, 23; women's bed jackets two; cotton lap robes 5; wash cloths 180; housewives 200; kit bags unfilled 200; fracture pillows 113; sdippers cmfwypp lows 113; slippers 97, total 880. .

Mrs. Renfree thankfully acknowledges the services of additional workers. and hopes for the continued interest and support.

## NEVADA CITY PARTY TO DRIVE TO EAST COAST

Mrs. Jean Wright McCullough with her infant daughter, accompanied by Mrs. C. A. Bennett and Miss Betsy Bennett will leave tomorrow for New York and Boston. Mrs. McCullough will visit htr husband, engineer, now an officer in the U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Bennett and daughter will visit Lieut. Richard Bennett USNR, who is now teaching young naval officers at Harvard University Cambridge, Mass. The party will travel east by auto.

### FATS WERE IN FIRE

Fire broke out in the kitchen of the Walter Butz home, 510 Nevada street, yesterday afternoon and running up the wall paper behind the stove set afire to a shelf and finally got into the attic. Two fire trucks and the fire department battled the blaze and saved most of the house. The kitchen was gutted and part of the roof destroyed.

Mrs. Butz was cooking a chicken. The heat burst a can of fats, she had saved. The grease ran into the gas flames and Mrs. Butz called the fire department. Damake is conservatively estimated at $500.

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One $25 war bond will buy a hospital bed for a navy medical unit. A $50 war bond will pay for one fragmentation bomb. A $100 bond will almost pay for a life raft capable of holding seven persons.

## FIGHTING MEN TO GET CHOICE MEATS

Members of American fighting forces will receive the choicest meats produced by 2,000,000 youths under a plan announced today which provides that quality meat animals—beef, pork, lamb and mutton—raised by young American farmers will be made available to the armed forces.

The plan has been set up by the department of agriculture, the U. S. Office of Education of the federal security agency and the OPA working with the quartermaster corps of the United States Army which buys the meat products.

The army will award a certificate of appreciation to young livestock growers who qualify for the distinction. The certificate of appreciation will be signed by Major E. B. Gregory, the quartermaster general of the United States Army. Leeway for individuals to slaughter these quality animals even though they lack the points to purchase the dressed meats under rationing was provided through an arrangement worked out with the quartermaster general's office of the United States Army. Under this plan youthful growers of livestock may stipulate that sponsors who bid in their animals shall have them slaughtered, and, provided they pass federal meat inspection standards, routed to the army for consumption by soldiers, sailors, marines or coast guardsmen. No ration points are involved for the buyer of the animal in such a transaction. This simple provision solves the rationing difficulty which threatned interference with 4-H club and FFA activities.

The result of these changes means that the farm boys now will be encouraged to continue growing the best possible livestock that they know how to grow. Sponsors who want to encourage these youngsters will not be hampered by ceiling prices. Neither will ration points serve as a brake on 4-H and FFA activities.

## LASHBAUGH IN TROUBLE AGAIN

John Hampton Lashbaugh, 34. resident of this city, arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated by the California Highway Patrol, appeared before Justice of the Peace George Gildersleeve Tuesday and asked three days postponement of his arraignment which was granted. He spent Monday night and yesterday in the county jail but was bailed out by friends last evening.

This is Lashbaugh's second offense having previously been arrested by highway officers convicted and fined, with suspepsion of his license to drive. He was driving without a licnese when arrested Monday. He appeared before the Nevada City justice of the peace, while Justice of the Peace Charles Morehouse of Grass Valley is away on his vacation.

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Al Bates, P. G. & E. employee of the Nevada City office, was a business visitor in Downieville Friday.

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## INDEPENDENCE DAY

As the nation's flags unfurl and the military bands roll out their martial music, as uniformed men and women proudly parade in traditional celebration of Independence Day this year, anybody can be forgiven moist eyes and a tightening throat. And undoubtedly there will be many to overlook. For on July 4th we celebrate not only that glorious freedom so bravely won by other men in other times, but the precious independence that beloved brothers and sons are fighting for today—independence savagely threatened by Jap and Nazi aggressors.

Many eyes will be moist, not because hearts are not high—for the news from every war front is in the pattern of victory—but because emotions, too, will be high. Day by day the battles fought and won by our boys in the air, on land and sea, in Normandy, Italy and on far Pacific islands, are bringing victory ever closer. By the standards of the men and women who will line the sidewalks and fill the reviewing stands to witness the parades on the Fourth of July, the price of that approaching victory is high indeed, for it is the lives of many of their sons.

But by those same standards, the nation's honor andindependence are worth even that costly sacrifice. So, behind a mist of something very close to ears, will be seen that sureness of conviction shining in the eyes of mothers, dads, wives and sisters, or service men and women on the Fourth of July this year, as they gather to honor the men who fought before and the men who fight today for the freedom that every American believes in, and is ready to stake his life to secure, for future generations of America's daughters and sons.—Contributed.

## THE 1944 FIRE GUARD

Remember last year and the year before when we warned each other to be everlastingly on the lookout for possible enemy set forest fires on this Pacific slope? Remember the years before that when precautionary advice was broadcast and reiterated all summer to the throngs of campers, hunters and fishermen making their annual pilgrimage into the mountain wilds?

This year, for the first time since Pearl Harbor, the probability of enemy incendiary action is not keeping the state fire marshall awake nights. And as for civilians chucking their cigarettes around in the woods, most of today's gas-rationed vacationers just can't throw a cigarette that far.

Nevertheless the fire hazards are still very real, and more than ordinary safety care during the summer months is essential. Those who do get into the mountains are warned by the state department of natural resources that the watersheds are very dry and that if a fire gets started it can be doubly dangerous in this year of reduced fire fighter personnel, equipment and other facilities.

Equally, at home, on the farms and in the war plants, people are warned of the double danger in war time of destructive fires. With replacements of destroyed goods exceedingly difficult, and with the ranks of most local fire brigades cut to a minimum by other wartime demands, it is the obligation of every indiviual citizen to be constantly careful of his own handling of inflammables an ever watchful for the carelessness of others.

The 1944 fire guard actually should be greater than ever before, for it should include every man, woman and child among us.—Contributed.

## ACTION IN THE PACIFIC

For the first time in the nearly two years which have elapsed since the historic battle of Santa Cruz late in 1942, American bomber pilots have met the Japanese fleet for a slugging match.

The return engagement, which churned the seas between the Philippines and the Marianas Islands, strengthens the evidence of enemy reluctance to face decisive combat. When the smoke of battle cleared, what was left of th Jap force limped back into its home corner nursing its wounds.

The naval significance of that victory is matched by the military significance of the back door entrance into the commanding port city of Cherbourg, the lenthened bombing scope of the B-29s and the continued devastating allied raids on Berlin and the shuttle bombing flights ending at new allied bases in Russia.

Men simply guess when they boldly prophesy just when the war will end. But the evidence is piling up that the showdown tests are not far off on any front. Action in the Pacific is flanked by action of decisive order in every battle zone. The time for rejoicing is not at hand, nor even in sight; the victory is still to be won with heavy, scourging sacrafice of life. But with every jolt to the Nazi and Jap, the allied picture brightens. And the enemy these days is taking quite a lot of jolts.—Contributed.

## THINKING OUT LOUD

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New Deal is always giving out revised editions.) The secretary admitted, however, that "perhaps the first directors of the experiment would have to be appointed by the government."

"Soldier boys should refuse to become too excited over this piece of shrewd political propaganda. It is hard to see any similarity between such a proposal, or "experiment," and the homstead law under which a man got a piece of land of which he was absolute owner, free from government interference or "directors". The homesteader became an independent citizen, owning a piece of property in fee simple, which he could dispose of as he wished, and for any price he could get.

"All a returned service man would own in this proposed giant holding company, would be a paper stock certificates. The assets of the company would be made up of war industries, most of which could not be applied to peace time pursuits without heavy reconversion investments. It is probable the service man would be prohibited from selling his stock in order to assure continued government monopoly and operation of the properties.

"This looks more fishy than Tomahawk Creek. It appears the proposal to "give" the service men something is really a blind to keep the government in business, using the service man as a tool to accomplish that end.

"Watch out boys. The New Deal uses the same old deck. Better ask for an acre of ground and a jeep."

## Truckee Peace Disturber Is Lodged In Jail

Edward Wallace, 43, charged with disturbing the peace in Truckee, was sentenced by Justice of the Peace C. E. Smith to 30 days, or immediate departure from the county. He failed to "float" and resumed his drunkenness, according to Deputy Sheriff Tom Dolley. Monday Sheriff Carl J. Tobiassen and Deputy Carl Larsen went to Truckee and brought Wallace down to serve his 30 days in the county jail.

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WELCOME TO NEVADA CITY

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Bond Drive ON THE EVENING OF THE 3RD

## Personal

Bill Tobiassen, son of Sheriff and Mrs. C. J. Tobiassen will enter College of the Pacific this fall. He plans to major in English, music and history, making plans to become a high school teacher.

The Tahoe National Forest headquarters have had a crew of men cleaning up their property east of the Alpha Stores. It now makes a most pleasing appearance. The forest service purchased this park from the Native Daughters several years ago. A new cement curb is being built around it.

Mrs. L. R. Mullin purchased the late Mrs. Josie Martin house on Sacramento street recently from Mrs. F. Conover. Mrs. Conover has moved away and Mr. and Mrs. Mullin plan to remodel the property later.

The Sierra Buttes Inn of Sierra City has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wiley and Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Negrus of Oakland. With their families they moved to their new home Saturday.

Mrs. Don Huddard and daughter, Dona, of Sacramento are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Pederson of Boulder street.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Courtney of Oakland passed through Nevada City the later part of last week enroute to Goodyears Bar to spend a two weeks vacation with her parents.

W. Weege former resident now of Colfax, spent Saturday in this city visiting among friends.

Sgt. Milton Schultz, of the 13th Armored Division U. S. Army, from Camp Bowie, Texas is here on furlough. He is visiting Miss Catherine Davis at the home of her mother, Mrs. Clem Davis of Park avenue. Sgt. Schultz arrived Saturday evening. He was stationed at Camp Beale over a year before being sent with his division to Texas.

Reg. Pratt with the Bank of America in San Francisco, spent the past week end here with his wife and daughter Jacqueline.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Baker of Sacramento spent Sunday with Mrs. Minnie Young of Park avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Wisker and daughter of Sacramento spent the past week end in this city visiting.

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# OPA DREAMS OF PERPETUITY IN POST WAR JOB

By RALPH H. TAYLOR

One of the oft quoted axioms of reporters covering the state capitol, in years gone by, was that while new state agencies were constantly created none was ever abolished.

A few years ago, however, one state bureau had so patently outlived its usefulness that the legislature, much to everybody's astonishment ended its exsitence, and since that time thert have been a few other occasions when an obsolete branch of government was lopped off.

The principle, nonetheless, still holds true. It is comparatively easy to get a new government bureau created but it is next to impossible to get one abolished—and the federal government has been a much greater offender, in this regard, than state or local government.

With that in mind, California farmers, business men and the consuming public might well give serious attention to a statement made recently by Congressman Walter C. Ploeser, a member of the House Small Business Committee, that:

"There are plans afoot to carry over OPA as a permanent post war fixture in America."

Congressman Ploeser, speaking before the National Association of Retail Grocers, declared:

"Early this year Price Administrator Chester Bowles expressed him self as 'profoundly concerned lest, in our eagerness to shed ourselves of wartime government and give a free reign to initiative and enterprize after the war, we conceive the role of government too narrowly."

"The OPA chief called upon the government—and by that he means the New Deal—to be 'ready to take whatever action, however broad and far reaching it may turn out to be, that is necessary to sustain a high level of industrial and farm activity.'

"In reporting these eye opening revelations by the Price Administrator the New York Times credited Bowles with predicting that the OPA formula can be adapted to the post war era."

That is an astonishing statement, or if the American people took a vote on the war agency they most want to get rid of—once the war is over—that agency would undoubtedly be the OPA, with its multiplicity of artificial controls and its reputation for arbitrary and confusing and conflicting rules and regulations. Accepted as a necessary evil in wartime, although there has been gravt doubt as to the necessity or desirability of many of its excursions into regulatory by paths, the OPA's activities tend too much toward regimentation and totalitarian government to be accepted to the people of this nation in ordinary times. And yet there can be no doubt that the OPA will battle to survive for it has a vast number of employes who have no intention of being separated from a government payroll if they can avoid it.

The magnitude of this wartime agency, which now threatens to become a permanent agency, unless the people are vigilant in defense of their pocketbooks and thtir economic freedom, is evidenced by the fact that the OPA within three years of its creation, had expanded to a point where it emplayed 55,970 full time workers, in addition to 45,000 volunteer workers in the 5,500 rationing boards scatttred over the country.

The first annual budget submitted by OPA, tarly in 1942, totaled $110,000,000 but congress — after inquiring into some of its proposed activities—lopped off $20,000,000.

The second annual OPA budget called for $177,335,000 or $25,000,000 more than had been appropriated to operate and maintain the whole United States Navy in 1916, the year prior to this country's entry into World War I. Yet the Navy, for $25,000,000 less, operated 346 vessels, with a personnel of 66,000 offictrs and men.

More dangerous, however, than even the olossal cost of continuing this agency after the war is the fact if it continued it would undoubtedly be used as a vehicle for radical experimentation that might well destroy our form of government.

If ration stamps continue as the controlling medium of exhcange after the war, with tach person issued the same number, regardless of whether he is provident or improvident, industrious or lazy, then we will have been forced into commuism in this nation without balloting on it, or having much warning that it was coming. For regardless of the dollars you have earned, or the dollars you have saved, ration points will determine your poverty or wealth—and the OPA, rather than your own enterprist, will regulate it.

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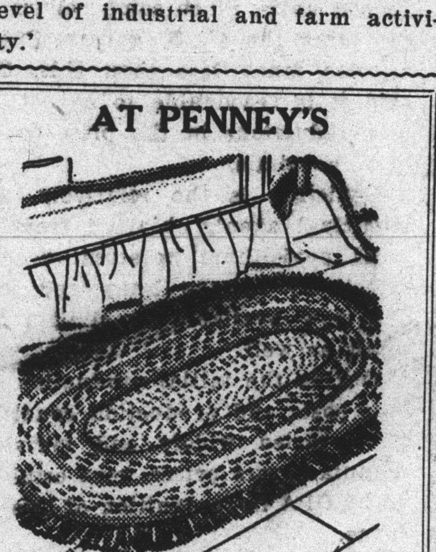

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### GAS TORCH EXPLODES

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### REQUISITIONING IDLE FARM MACHINERY

Renewal of authority of the chairman of the state agricultural conservation committee to requisition and dispose of idle farm machinery pursuant to the act of October 16, 1941, as amended, was announced on June 21. This authority continues through December 31, 1944, according to instructions just issued to County AAA committees and does not cover authority to requisition motor vehicles which still somes under the jurisdiction of the office of defense transportation.

In 1943 considerable numbers of various types of farm equipment were taken out of storage and put to work in California's food production effort after the original owners had been reimbursed.

### CHAIN BOTTLENECKS

Inability to obtain minimum supplies of chain is the tightest bottleneck in meeting scheduled production of harvesting machinery for this year's crops, according to James W. Millard, director of the office of materials and facilities of WFA.

Millard pointed out that both W FA and the WPB, despite obstacles, were concentrating on making the full schedule of combines, corn pickers, and other harvesting equipment available to farmers on time. However, requirements of the armed forces are making heavy inroads on chain supplies and engines for engine powered combines.

Satisfactory progress on tractor production is indicated by Millard's statement that more than 156,000 tractors for farm use will have been built during the 12 months ending July 1, as compared with the normal mortality rate for tractors which is estimated at 1,000,000 a year.

### BASIC PROBLEM FACES NATION

How to keep consumption of our farm products abreast of our capacity to produce them is the basic problem that farmers and the nation will face after the war in the opinion of Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard.

Simpler problems facing post war agriculture are great national, regional and local readjustments as the needs for various products change and price relationships tend to shift and the need for reappraising our acres from the standpoint of soil conservation and soil fertility.

Commenting on these post war problems, the secretary said, "I don't like to think of what can happen to our agricultore and to the rest of our economy if we don't enter the peace years with the same united determination that is getting us successfully through the war years.

"We need to make up our minds soon," the secretary warns. "Will we let farm prices fall to the level of the 1920s, when farmers were in trouble but there was high industrial activity," he asks, "or will we let them fall to the disastrous levels of the early 30s, when industry, too, all but collapsed.

### WAR FOOD SHIPMENTS

The 18,000,000 pounds of vegetable seeds that we have shipped since last July could have been shipped in a single 10,000 ton cargo vessel with room still available for a few tons of other streatgic materials while shipping the food produced from these seeds would have required the entire available space on 950 ships of the same capacity.

These seeds at current pices would have produced two billion dollars worth of food, while their approximate cost to us as seed was only six million dollars. Based on our own standard of living—the highest in the world—vegetables raised from these seeds would feed some 500,000,000 people, one fourth of the world's population, for an entire year. The economy of shipping seeds is obvious and illustrates why feed, seed, and machinery will be the main items needed to help the nations stricken and ravaged by war to help themseives in the rehabiliation period.

### CHANGE IN SUGAR RATIONING

So that housewives can preserve as much fruit as possible, local rationing boards in areas where harvesting of crops occurs early now may issue the full 20 pound a person supplemental allotment of canning sugar at one time instead of over two periods. OPA regional administrators will designate the areas, which will be announced locally.

With a serious shortage of containers certain, due to a diminishing rate of production, growers who start a last minute search for an adequate supply of second hand containers are inviting marketing problems, WFA officials warn.

# COMMERCIAL FISHING SHOWS LARGE GAIN

SAN FRANCISCO, June 29.—Figures just made available by the California State Division of Fish and Game show that the amount of fish taken b the canneries in San Pedro and San Diego in May of this year has made a tremendous gain over that taken during the same period in the past two years.

The total pounds in May for the past three years was 7,485,691 in 1942; 9,185,498 in 1943 and 17,885,607 in 1944. These figlres are exclusive of small landings of sardines in May of this year.

The gain is due entirely to the very successful tuna fishery this year. Landings of yellowtail in San Pedro were over twice as heavy as they were in the previous two years, and in San Diego the yellowtail landangs were over one and one quarter million pounds more than either for May 1942 or 1943. Both bluefin and skipjack show a large gain in San Pedro but are less in San Diego. The increased landings of tuna so far in 1944 in San Pedro and San Diego have risen to over 100 per cent greater than the landings in the same period in 1942 and amount to 50,187,698 pounds, exclusive of sardines. Landings for the months of January to May 1943 amounted to 33,2371,03 pounds. These figures are made up mostly of the valuable tuna catch.

The value of the 1944 catch so far, based upon 1942 prices, would be between two and one half to three million dollars to the fishermen. The total catch taken in California during 1942 was 1,172,522,226 pounds, valued at $26,210,046.

### Banner Mt. Post To Display Service Stars

Banner Mountain Post VFW Auxiliary enjoyed an interesting meeting and community singing brought the occasion to a close. Mrs. Max Weiss and Jeanette Jeffrey served refreshments. It was decided to display the auxiliary flag in the window of Joseph Day on Pine street with pictures of as many of the sons of members as can be obtained grouped about the flag. A star has been added each time a son of a member entered the U. S. armed forces until there are many stars on the flag and this will be an appropriate display on July Fourth.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Chrtisian Science Society of Nevada City holds services every Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. A Wednesday evening testimonial meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8 o'clock.

# POSTWAR FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC WORKS

Nevada County including the incorporated cities within the county boundary, has been allocated a total of $40,976,000 for acquisitions of rights of way, engineering, plans and specifications for post war public works projects under the terms of Senate Bill 48, passed by the recent special session of the state legislature and signed into law last Tuesday by Governor Warren.

The bill, which was sponsored by Senator Jesse M. Mayo chairman of the senate committee on post war construction, is designed to aid the cities, counties and local agencies to build a "block log" of plans and blue prints for public works to be used as a supplement to private industry in taking up the slack in post war employment.

"It is the hope of our committee and the legislature," said Senator Mayo, "that the counties and cities of the state will take advantage of this state fund and proceed at once to make plans for needed public works now, so that at the end of the war if it is found necessary to use public works construction, as a means of aiding unemploment, we can have a sound program actually blueprinted and ready to go. If we act now and build up a sound program of needed public works projects we can escape the necessity for WPA, SRA and other relief agencies after the war."

Under the legislation each county in the state will share in the $10,000,000 fund with a minimum of $16,000 and the balance will be allocated on the basis of population.

For Nevada county and local agencies within the county, the total is divided $27,573,000 for plans, and engineering and specifiations, and $13,403.00 for acquisition of sites, rights of way, etc.

The plan is that cities and counties will match this money with local funds, although the legislature provided that in certain cases the funds need not be matched.

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## WITH OUR BOYS IN GLOBAL WAR

**Fred Angelini—**

Mr. and Mrs. M. Angelini received a letter from their son, Fred, CB. now stationed on New Guinea stating he is well and the food is good. He has been driving a jeep and acting as a messenger boy in the last few weeks. He has just received eight letters in a bunch all written in April and later another lot of four of early May from his parents. The Bonivert boy of Grass Valley is in the same camp.

**Bill Kennedy—**

Bill Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Kennedy, received a letter from their son, Bill, stating he was in North Africa. The message was several weeks old and they are anxiously awaiting another leter from him. About all he said was that he was well.

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Cost of firing a broadside from a battleship with nine 16" guns is $13,500. A 300 pound depth charge costs $105. Bombs cost from $37 to $875.

# THREE APPLY FOR BUS LICENSE BETWEEN CAMP BEALE, NEVADA CITY

A hearing on three applications for a transportation license between Nevada City and Grass Valley, at the eastern end of the line, and Marysville and Camp Beale, on the western, was opened Tuesday morning in the Grass Valley city hall by the California Railroad Commission.

The three applicants are Hatton and Hatton of Marysville, who have a mail contract between the two terminals and intermediate points, The Gibson Lines, which operate several bus lines in the Sacramento Valley, and the Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad, which operates bus lines between Nevada City, Grass Valley, and Colfax and Auburn, Placer County, with terminal facilities in Grass Valley.

Appearing before Referee Leo Paul for the commission, were Marvin E. Hatton for Hatton and Hatton, Beverly C. Gibson for Gibson Lines, and Fred Athearn for the Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad, of which he is superintendent.

Vernon Stoll, president of the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce questioned by Attorney John M. Kelch of Sacramento on behalf of the Gibson Lines, regarding whether it made any difference to him which company served Grass Valley so long as it was a good and adequate service, replied that it did. He said that he believed that the company which had a terminal building and facilities in Grass Valley, as does the Narrow Gauge, would be in a much better position to serve Nevada County than others.

Fred Athearn asked to outline his plans, said that he had made a survey of the area of which Grass Valley is the center and had found that this area gives promise of trade expansion and now stands in need of another outlet into the Sacramento Valley. He stated that he had been asked by U. S. Army authorities at Camp Beale to establish a bus line between the camp and Grass Valley and Nevada City.

He declared that after looking into the rates now charged by Nevada County Narrow Gauge he had concluded that they were disproportionately high, and that he had already experimented with lower rates between Grass Valley and the DeWitt General Hospital at Auburn and he proposed to lower rates on lines now existing and the proposed line to Camp Beale and Marysville, if a license were granted, would enjoy rates on the same basis.

Marvin E. Hatton of Hatton and Hatton, who now operates a station wagon stage between Marysville and Nevada City, with stops at Hammonton, Smartville, Rough and Ready and Grass Valley, holds the mail contract but admitted he had no license for passengers and freight from the railroad commission.

State Senator W. P. Rich of Marysville, representing the Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields, stated that the town of Hammonton, owned by his company, was now well served by Hatton and Hatton. He declared that his only interest was in the maintenance of good service, whatever concern received a license. The people of Hammonton were represented at the hearing by Donald Aaronson also declared that the present service by Hatton and Hatton was satisfactory.

The hearing on applications for a bus line between Grass Valley and Nevada City in Nevada County and Marysville and Camp Beale in Yuba County, which opened Monday in Grass Valley before referee for the California Railroad Commission, was adjourned yesterday afternoon until July 7th, when the Gibson Lines will present their argument and data conerning proposed schedules.

The other two applicants, Hatton and Hatton, and the Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad concluded their presentations in support of their applications, yesterday at noon.

E. F. Dwyer, manager of the railroad company, which sometime since abandoned its line between Nevada City, Grass Valley and Colfax and now operates busses between Nevada City and Grass Valley, and Colfax, and Auburn, declared that if the company receives a license to extend a line to Camp Beale and Marysville six or eight buses are contemplated with two round trips daily with adequate provision for holidays and times of peak load.

Marvin E. Hatton one of the Marysville firm of Hatton and Hatton, which now holds a mail contract along the route between Marysville and Nevada City, with a side trip daily into Hammonton, Yuba County, did not propose to operate a bus line either to Camp Beale or to Marysville. The two brothers do wish, however, to operate along their present route with the station wagon they own, and with the right to carry passengers and express parcels.

The competition, therefore narrows down as pointed out last evening by Dwyer, to two contenders, the Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad, and the Gibson Lines, Beverly Gibson, vice president of the latter organization claims to have an option to purchase the rights held by Frank T. Bayle who until April 1st, operated a station wagon stage between Nevada City and Marysville. Bayle, it seems, never formally abandoned his right, but left his business in the hands of others and entered employment in war industries in the southern part of the state.

Many business and professional men of Grass Valley were heard in support of the petition of the Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad.

## Prices Of Penicillin Are Coming Down

In response to inquiries concerning the maximum price of penicillin now available to civilian hospitals, the OPA stated that considerable variation in the maximum price of that material exists at the present time.

OPA pointed out that actual selling prices have declined during the last year as production became greater. One seller's price to civilian hospitals is $3.15 per 100,000 Oxford units. Since some sellers are supplying the U. S. government at a price much less than this. OPA said it is reasonable to expect further reductions in the price to civilian hospitals.

Penicillin is the relatively new medicinal agent, obtained from the mold penicillium notatum, used so effectively by the army and navy, and now available to civilian hospitals as well.

During the initial production periods costs and production conditions have varied widely and individual manufacturers prices were established by OPA in recognition of this variance.

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MILLER—In Nevada City, Nevada County, June 25, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Miller, a son.

## Red Cross Will Have Float In Fourth Parade

Mrs. Richard Goyne, secretary of of the Nevada City Chapter of the Red Cross, yesterday stated that the chapter had voted to enter a float in the Fourth of July parade.

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To make one medium bomber, cost $110,000, takes 13,000 man hours. Food from 20 acres is needed to feed the workers who turn out one bomber.

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Even when an invasion force wins it loses material. The cost of reaching the mainland of Italy, including the prelude of North Africa, and Sicily, was 1800 aircraft lost. In Sicily 13 per cent of all the 155 mm. howitzers were lost, 8 per cent of the medium tanks and nearly 13 per cent of the 37 mm. guns.

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